



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Satoru Bushida *et al.*

Serial No.: 09/484,424

Filed: 01/18/00

For: APPARATUS FOR LOCKING BENDING
MECHANISMS THAT BENDS REFLEX
TYPE WAVELENGTH SELECTION
ELEMENT

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Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

November 21, 2002

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action mailed August 26, 2002. The Official Action set forth a three-month period for response, making this response due on or before November 26, 2002.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 by rewriting this claim as follows:

-- 1. (Twice Amended) An apparatus for locking a bending mechanisms that bends a reflex type wavelength selection element constituting a part of an